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1. DEPT. AND ERDA CONCUR MISSION POSITIVE VIEW OF DG PLANNED APPROACH. ESTABLISHED AND OPERATED AS OUTLINED, COMMITTEE MIGHT AVOID DANGER OF BECOMING EMPTY FACADE OR TOOL OF POLITICAL MANEUVERING AND MIGHT SERVE USEFUL FUNCTION.

2. IF STC FORMED, WE ASSUME THAT KINDS OF WORK DG WOULD ASK IT TO PERFORM WOULD BE SUCH TECHNICAL TAKS AS, FOR EXAMPLE:(A) EVALUATION OF TECHNICAL OBJECTIVES OF IAEA SAFEGUARDS TO ASSURE THEIR CONTINUED VALIDITY IN LIGHT OF TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENTS; (B) REVIEW OF SPECIFIC TYPICAL IAEA SAFEGUARDS OPERATING METHODS TO DETERMINE THEIR EFFECTIVENESS AND EFFICIENCY IN MEETING SAFEGUARDS TECHNICAL OBJECTIVES; CONFIDENTIAL

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(C) REVIEW OF STATUS OF SAFEGUARDS R AND D TO ASSURE THAT

LATEST VIABLE TECHNIQUES ARE BEING EMPLOYED IN IAEA OPERATIONS; AND (D) RECOMMENDATION OF AREAS WHERE SAFEGUARDS R AND D IS NEEDED TO ASSURE UNIFORM SIGNIFICANCE OF RESULTS IN APPLICATION OF DIFFERENT SAFEGUARDS TECHNIQUES.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON TERMS OF REFERENCE AND OTHER DETAILS BEFORE THEY BECOME FIRMLY FIXED OR WIDELY KNOWN OUTSIDE SECRETARIAT, AND ASSUME MISSION WILL REPORT DEVELOPMENTS AS THEY OCCUR. KISSINGER

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